

S.A.F.E. FY 2006 Report



“Raising a fire safe generation of children”

What is S.A.F.E.?

The Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program is a grant program to local fire departments designed to put trained firefighter-educators in the classroom to conduct fire and life safety education programs in grades Pre-K through 12. The



primary mission is to enable students to recognize the dangers of fire and more specifically, the fire hazards that tobacco products pose. Through the S.A.F.E. program, firefighters are trained as public educators to deliver age-appropriate fire and life safety lessons in close coordination with classroom teachers and health educators.

Funding and Participation

During the first seven years, S.A.F.E. was funded by the tobacco tax, better known as the Health Protection Fund, because smoking is the leading cause of fire deaths. FY '06 marked the 11th year funding in the amount of \$1,078,666, this year it came from General Revenues in the state budget. The grant was shared by 223 fire departments.

Partnerships in the Classroom

The S.A.F.E. Program also provides a working partnership among firefighters, classroom teachers, and health educators. By working together, key fire safety behaviors such as *Stop, Drop, and Roll*; *Making and Practicing Home Escape Plans*; *Reporting Fires and Emergencies* are introduced to children. Often, these fire safety behaviors are easily combined with a math, science, language arts, health, or physical education lesson to complement the teacher's classroom curriculum.

Department of Fire Services Training

The credibility of the S.A.F.E. Program rests on properly trained firefighters. The high quality of the fire and life safety education specialist is the foundation of the S.A.F.E. Program. The fire educator's enthusiasm and commitment to the S.A.F.E. Program and its students are critical. The Massachusetts Firefighting Academy offers a variety of training programs for fire educators, including a week long class *Public Fire and Life Safety Educator* that is based on the standard set out in the National Fire Protection Association's Standard 1035 *Professional Qualifications for Public Fire and Life Safety Educator*. In addition, the Public Education Unit in the Office of the State Fire Marshal provides programmatic support to local S.A.F.E. Programs through in-service training, site visits and technical assistance.

Certification of Fire and Life Safety Educators to National Standards

In 2003, the Massachusetts Fire Training Council established a voluntary certification program for Public Fire and Life Safety Educator- Level 1. Administered through the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, Firefighters must pass a written exam and they are required to provide documentation of prior field experience in teaching young children, school-age children, and adults before submitting to a practical examination requiring firefighters to demonstrate their teaching skills. This certification program also contains a

re-certification process requiring educators to document continued field experience and continuing education.

Fire Safety Houses

Every fire department in Massachusetts has a fire safety house available to them for use in their S.A.F.E. programs. A fire safety house is a recreational vehicle trailer that is outfitted like a home interior, including a bedroom where the



Learning About Kitchen and Burn Safety in Goshen.

door can get hot, the room can fill with theatrical smoke and children can practice going out the window and down a ladder to safety. The different rooms of the fire safety house set the stage for discussing the prevention of home fire and burn hazards as well as giving youngsters a fun and safe way to practice a home escape plan. The fire safety house has proven to be a valuable educational tool for a S.A.F.E. educator to use when teaching fire safety education.



In FY 2006, a five-year plan was implemented for replacing the 15 fire safety houses; three each year as funding permits.

Fire Safety House in Hanover

Hazard Houses

Every fire department in Massachusetts also has a *Hazard House* available to them for use in their S.A.F.E. programs. It is a large tabletop display of a home that can be used to teach many key fire and life safety behaviors. With electricity, the smoke alarms actually work, and with Plexiglas the smoke can be seen rising up the stairwell from a child playing with a lighter, from a



Bellingham S.A.F.E. Educator Using Hazard House to Teach

man falling asleep smoking in an overstuffed chair, and from a pan on the stove. The home is filled with many hazards, which can be “corrected” by folding over a flap. As the instructor moves from room to room they can discuss prevention and removing home hazards. It is designed to address fire and burn prevention as well as of the major injury prevention topics.

Partnerships in the Classroom

The S.A.F.E. Program also provides a working partnership among firefighters, classroom teachers, and health educators. The core of the S.A.F.E. Program is to deliver age-appropriate lessons on the key



Teaching ‘Stop, Drop, & Roll’ in Berkley



fire safety behaviors that are linked to meeting the objectives in the Department of Education’s Curriculum Frameworks. By working together, key fire safety behaviors such as *Stop, Drop, and Roll*; *Making and Practicing Home Escape Plans*;

Goshen Fire Chief Sue Labrie Teaching S.A.F.E.



Bellingham S.A.F.E. Students

health, or physical education lesson to complement the teacher's classroom curriculum.

Proving Public Education Works

In the eleven years of the S.A.F.E. Program, we have identified more than 212 "young heroes", children who have used the fire and life safety lessons they learned in the classroom during a real life emergency to save themselves or others. We are proud of these *young heroes*. It is sad anytime someone is faced with an emergency, but these situations could easily have been more tragic if these youngsters had not known what to do.

The report that follows summarizes the activity of the FY '06 S.A.F.E. Program. We are particularly proud of the innovative programs the local S.A.F.E. educators have created and the commitment these communities have demonstrated in "Raising a fire safe generation of children".

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Learning About Smoke Alarms in Berkley

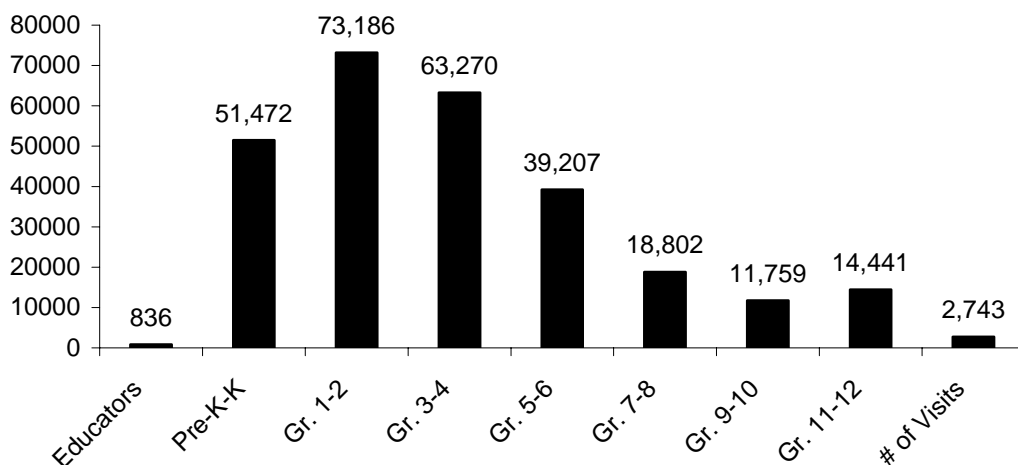


Information about the FY 2006 S.A.F.E. Program

- Total number of communities active in the S.A.F.E. Program in FY 2006: **272**.
- Total number of communities receiving S.A.F.E. FY 2006 grants: **223**
This total has decreased from the **226** communities in FY 2004 who received S.A.F.E. grants and is nearly double the **130** communities who received initially received S.A.F.E. grants in FY 1996.
- Over 836 firefighters were involved in teaching fire safety education to children through classroom visits and community events.
- Number of firefighter visits to classrooms: **2,743**
- Number of students who received fire safety education statewide: **272,137**

The following chart lists the number of students visited by firefighters in each grade group. It shows that the grades reached the most by local S.A.F.E. Programs are grades 1-2, followed by grades 3-4 and pre K-K. Also note that middle and high school grade levels continue to show increases in the number of older students receiving the full benefits of the S.A.F.E. Program.

**Number of Children Reached by Firefighters
FY 2006**



Child Fire Deaths Drop Nearly 2/3 Since Start of S.A.F.E.

The average annual number of fire deaths of children under age 18 has fallen by nearly two-thirds, 63%, since the start of the S.A.F.E. Program in the fall of 1995. Since fire death numbers fluctuate quite a bit from year to year, it is helpful to look both at the trend line in the graph below and at averages over several years.

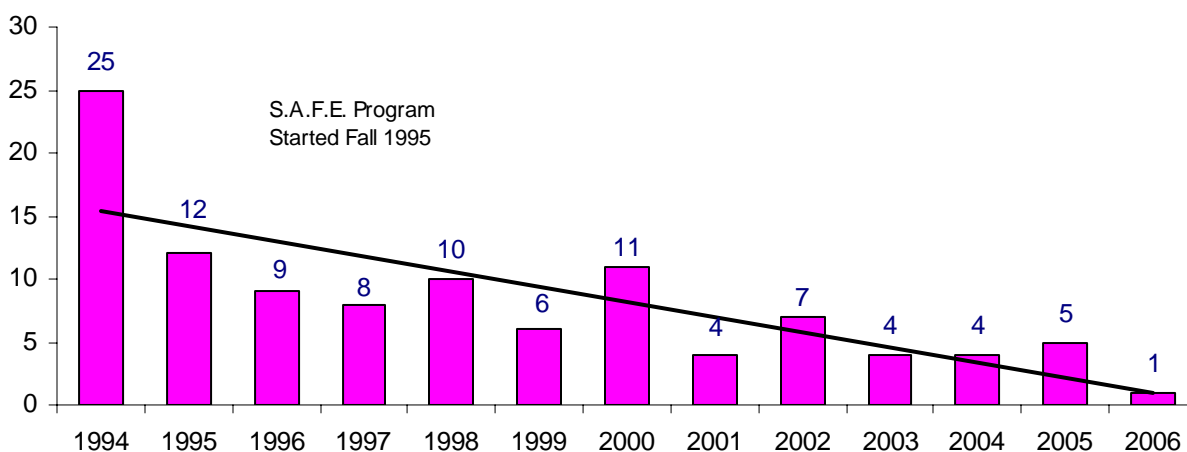
During the eleven years that the S.A.F.E. Program has been effect, from 1996 to 2006, the average number of child fire deaths per year has been 6.3. In the eleven years prior to the S.A.F.E. Program, 1985-1995, the average number of child fire deaths per year was 17.1.

In calendar 2006, only one child died in fires in Massachusetts.

The one thing that is happening in Massachusetts to improve fire safety exclusively for this age group, that is not also happening to all other age groups, is consistent, comprehensive, statewide, school-based fire safety education.

The significant decrease in child fire deaths measures the long-term impact of the Student Awareness of Fire Education Program. In 2005, the City of Philadelphia experience 15 child fire deaths out of a total of 52. In all of Massachusetts there were 52 deaths in the same year, with five child deaths.

Children Fire Deaths 1994 - 2006



S.A.F.E. “Young Heroes”

During Fiscal Year 2006, the 11th year of the Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program, the Office of the State Fire Marshal recognized **13 children** for using the fire safety education that they received in school to directly affect the outcome of an emergency. In FY '07 five such children were recognized, bringing the total to **216**.

The following list describes the actions of what we call the S.A.F.E. “Young Heroes”.

Twelfth Year of the Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program (2006-2007) (5 Heroes to date in FY'07)

Barnstable

♦ Tyler McHenry

On March 30, 2007 at 4:19 p.m. Tyler McHenry, a 4th grader at Centerville Elementary School, was at home with his father who suddenly became dizzy, passed out and struck his head on a piece of furniture. Tyler remained calm and recalled the lessons he had received in school as a first grade student from the Centerville-Osterville Marstons Mills Fire Department S.A.F.E. Program. Tyler quickly dialed 9-1-1 to summon medical help for his father. He remained with his injured father until the arrival of emergency responders. Tyler's actions were responsible for his father's prompt treatment and speedy recovery.

Fitchburg

♦ Jared B. Mc Closkey

On November 1, 2006 at 3 a.m. 12-year old Jared was awakened by the family dog. As he exited his bedroom the smoke alarms had just begun to sound and he noticed flames on the rear porch outside the kitchen with smoke in the house. He immediately woke his 2-year old brother Alexander and his 1-year old sister Amber, wrapped them in blankets and led them safely out of the house. He then woke his parents and advised them that the house was on fire and insured their exit from the house. As they were leaving, Jared ran upstairs to waken his Uncle Jon Barto, his wife Beth and their two children, 3-year old Megan and 8-month old Abigail. Jared's father was able to extinguish the porch fire with a garden hose prior to the fire department's arrival. Jared received his S.A.F.E. Education in the first grade and credits it with teaching him to respond correctly to the fire emergency that saved nine people including himself.

Marlborough

♦ 6-year old Boy

On December 21, 2006 at 10:30 a.m. a 6-year old boy called 9-1-1 to report a medical emergency saving an adult family member's life. He had received fire and life safety education from his parents and through the S.A.F.E. Program the year before in Kindergarten.

Mansfield

♦ Lauren Melton and Kelsey Attaya

On October 10, 2006 9-year old Lauren Melton and 10-year old Kelsey Attaya got off the bus together and heard a strange noise. They quickly realized it was a smoke alarm coming from a neighbor's house and saw smoke coming from a second floor window and noticed there were no cars in the driveway. They consciously split up and each called 9-1-1 from her own house to report the fire. They waited in front of the house to guide responding firefighters and alert them that the family dog was possibly trapped inside. The firefighters rescued the dog that stayed with the girls until the neighbors came home. Firefighters credit the girls' actions with allowing them to quickly confine and contain the fire reducing the damage to the home and for saving the dog. Both girls credit the Mansfield S.A.F.E. Program for teaching them what to do in a fire emergency.

11th Year of the Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program (2005-2006) (13 Heroes in FY'06)

Abington/Hanson

♦ Anthony Manupelli

About 10:30 Christmas morning (December 25, 2005), the Manupelli family was opening gifts at the home of grandparents Bob and Marie Kendrigan in Hanson. Five-year old Anthony Manupelli wandered into the dining room and noticed that the centerpiece on the dining room table had ignited from a candle that had been left burning. Anthony immediately raced back into the family room to alert everyone. The grandfather, a retired firefighter, put out the fire before it spread. The entire family is convinced that Anthony's quick reporting of the fire to an adult saved the home and their holiday. Anthony proceeded to critique the adults' handling of the incident, reminding them that they should have all left the house and called 9-1-1 from outside. He received fire safety education at his pre-school from the Abington Fire Department's S.A.F.E. Program.

Arlington/Belmont

♦ Anthony DeMarco

On July 7, 2005, 3-year old Anthony DeMarco spotted smoke and flames coming from the house next door. He immediately notified his mother and she called 911 to report the fire to the Arlington Fire Department. Firefighters quickly responded and were able to control the fire before it destroyed the home. Anthony knew what to do in an emergency because of the teaching he received from his father Dave, a Captain and S.A.F.E. Program educator with the Belmont Fire Department.

Billerica

♦ Asha Nurzynski

On September 7, 2005, 9-year old Asha Nurzynski brought her 4-year old brother outside to safety while her parents tried to contain a fire in the first floor living area. When interviewed by the Billerica Fire Department, Asha said, "I just used common sense. When I saw that the house was on fire, I grabbed my little brother and went outside to safety." Asha learned her fire safety

behaviors from the S.A.F.E. program taught by the Billerica Fire Department when they had visited her school.

♦ **Brian Yetman**

On November 2, 2005, 10-year old Brian Yetman notice a classmate choking during recess at the Parker Elementary School. He provided first aid by performing the Heimlich maneuver, which dislodged the obstruction. The children did not report the incident until the next day. Brian is a student in the S.A.F.E. program taught by the Billerica Fire and School Departments and also learned life safety skills in boy scouts (Webelos) and in the Middlesex Sheriff's Youth Academy.

Brockton

♦ **John Gallagher**

On December 19, 2005 at 5:00 p.m., 12-year old John Gallagher picked up his 79-year old grandmother, who uses a walker, and carried her out a side door to safety. John began yelling to other tenants that the building was on fire. His mother and her friend grabbed the two visiting grandchildren. A 4-year old, who tipped over a candle and ignited the couch, caused the fire that destroyed the apartment building.

Marblehead

♦ **Anthony Ruggiero**

On August 10, 2005 at 5:25 p.m. 9-year old Anthony Ruggiero was riding his bike with friends when he heard the sound of smoke detectors. He followed the sound to a neighbor's apartment and saw smoke coming from the windows. He quickly rode home to report the fire to his mother. His neighbor Lori, who happened to be visiting with Anthony's mother Alicia, quickly ran home while Anthony's mother dialed 911. Inside the burning home was Lori's 25-year old daughter, who was ill and unable to escape on her own. Lori and Alicia helped Christina from the smoke filled apartment prior to the arrival of the fire department. Anthony learned to notify an adult when smoke detectors sound or if you see a fire, and to never enter a burning building from the Marblehead Fire Department's S.A.F.E. Program.

Marshfield

♦ **Jonah Wusteney**

On October 28, 2005, 5-year old, Jonah Wusteney was at home with his family when the smoke alarms began to sound. Jonah's mother was caring for the youngest member of the family at the time. Jonah reacted immediately by evacuating his other two siblings outside to the family meeting place. He also thought to bring the portable phone with him so his mother could call the fire department. Jonah remained calm and knew how to react thanks to the fire and life safety education he received at the Eames Way School from the Marshfield Fire Department's S.A.F.E. Program.

Shirley

♦ **Kelsey Olden**

On January 2, 2006, 11-year old Kelsey Olden saved her family by detecting an early morning fire in its earliest stage. Kelsey was awake at 6 a.m. on the last day of school vacation and saw her bedroom lights flickering oddly and smelled smoke. She alerted her brothers and parents, got

everyone outside, and called the fire department. A fire had started in the wall behind the fireplace and had extended up inside the walls. No smoke was visible when she alerted the family to danger but the home quickly became filled with smoke. Kelsey learned fire safety through the S.A.F.E. Program from the Shirley Fire and School Departments. Her quick actions brought the fire department in time to keep the fire small and the house habitable.

Sunderland

♦ Tyler Lords

On January 3, 2006, 9-year old Tyler Lords calmly called 9-1-1. Tyler communicated to the dispatcher that his mother had a history of asthma and they were unable to find her inhaler. He continued to calmly tell the dispatcher that his mother was having problems breathing. Tyler's mother was given medical assistance by the Sunderland Fire and Rescue Department. It was the quick, calm and accurate account of the incident by Tyler to the dispatcher that helped save his mother's life. Tyler learned fire safety through the S.A.F.E. Program at he Sunderland Elementary School

Upton

♦ Somaiya and Taylahna Rowland

On October 10, 2005, only two days after receiving fire safety training at the Upton Fire Department Open House, 8-year old Somaiya and Taylahna Rowland were awakened by their mother and told there was fire in there attached garage. The two girls quickly and calmly put into action what they had recently learned about escaping fire. Crawling low and wasting no time looking for their pets or other valuables they went outside to the families meeting place and awaited instruction from their parents. It was outside at their meeting place that the two young girls repeatedly reminded their parents, who were about to reenter the house for truck keys, that they should wait for the firefighters and not go back inside the house.

West Bridgewater

♦ Caiden Thom and Troy Casey

On October 17, 2005 at 7:22 a.m., 11-year old Caiden Thom and 10-year old Troy Casey were walking to the school bus stop. As they passed a neighbor's house they recognized the sound of a smoke alarm. The occupants of the home were away on vacation. They knew they had to notify an adult immediately and call 9-1-1 to alert the fire department. Caiden and Troy's quick and proper actions saved the home from serious damage. Caiden and Troy learned how to react in an emergency during a fire safety class at the Howard School from the West Bridgewater Fire Department's S.A.F.E. Program.

Partnerships Formed in the S.A.F.E. Program.

The S.A.F.E. Program provides fire departments with an opportunity to form partnerships with various organizations when educating children.

During FY'06, these organizations included the following:

AC&M Fire Extinguisher Co.	Local Kiwanis Clubs
Apple Home Health Care Inc.	Local Lions Club
Big Y Supermarkets	Local Mason Lodges
Bob's Store	Local National Guard Reserve Units
Bruegger's Bagels	Local Police Associations
Burger King Restaurants	Local Police Departments
Century Manufacturing Co.	Local Police Unions
Dairy Queen Restaurants	Local Public Libraries
DCR Forestry Division	Local Recreation Department
Earth Designs	Local Sheriff's Departments
Elevator/Escalator Safety Foundation	Local Visiting Nurses Associations
Fall River Tobacco Control	Local Youth Centers
Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary Groups	Lowe's Home Safety Council
Fiske's General Store	Mass. Dental Society
Fleet Bank	Mass. Mutual Insurance Co.
Hannaford Supermarkets	McCue Insurance Agency
Hanover Mall	McDonalds Restaurants
Home Depot Stores	Mothers Against Drunk Driving
JP Gallagher Construction Comp.	Mt. Wachusett Community College
Liberty Tree Mall	National SAFE Kids Campaign
Lista International	Out Post Farm
Local Boys Clubs	Papa Gino's Restaurants
Local Business Associations	Paper Heroes
Local Cable Companies	Parker Hannifin Corp.
Local Chambers of Commerce	Salavadore Auto Group
Local Colleges	Sharp Image Screen printing
Local Councils on Aging	Shaw's Supermarkets
Local Credit Unions	Shriners Burn Hospital
Local Dunkin' Donuts	Shriver Job Corp.
Local Elks Lodges	Sir Speedy Printing and Copying Center
Local Exchange Clubs	Stop & Shop Stores
Local Fire Associations	Students Against Drunk Driving
Local Fire Explorer Posts	TRIAD
Local Fire Unions	Tuft's University
Local Girls Clubs	Wal-Mart Stores
Local Head Start Programs	Whitin Community Center
Local Health Departments	YMCA's
Local Hospitals	
Local Housing Authorities	

S.A.F.E. In-Service Training

The Office of the State Fire Marshal's Public Education Unit sponsored one statewide S.A.F.E. in-service training for all S.A.F.E. educators. The first part of the training showed fire department public educators how the Hazard House can be utilized as a visual prop during fire & life safety lessons. After a description of the special effects and options included in the hazard house participants broke out into four groups for a hands-on lesson in set up, use and break down and practice incorporating it into lesson plans. The Department of Fire Services has purchased 4 complete hazard houses for use by fire department public educators who have been trained in the proper use and care of the hazard house. In the afternoon there was a split session workshop where the new public educators were given a history lesson on the S.A.F.E. Program and information about program management and administration as well as resources from the Department of Fire Services. In a separate workshop for more experienced fire educators, information on programs for older adults (seniors) and discussions on working with them and teaming up with other community partners were held. Recognizing that older adults are frequently late in life deafened was discussed and how they are a sub-set of the deaf and hard of hearing community.

MFA Public Education Training

National Fire Academy Course

When the Executive Office of Public Safety decided that the Department of Fire Services would not receive any funds for training and administration of the S.A.F.E. Program in FY '06, as it had in every previous year of the S.A.F.E. Program, the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy's (MFA) ability to provide planned training was severely hampered. The MFA was able to bring a National Fire Academy course, *Presenting Effective Public Education Programs* (PEPEP), to Massachusetts. For this one time only, the course was substituted for the MFA's *Public Fire and Life Safety Educator* course to meet the requirements of the S.A.F.E. grant or certification requirements, as it covers most of the same topics. Twenty-five students completed the course.

MFA Public Fire and Life Safety Educator

Prior to the funding decision, the Mass. Firefighting Academy offered the *Public Fire and Life Safety Educator course (PF&LSE)* twice with twenty-eight students completing it. This course is a 5-day program designed to provide a community with the basis for a solid public education program and is designed to properly train the lead S.A.F.E. educator. The course covers child development, how people learn, with focus on different learning styles and the seven intelligences, lesson planning, curricula evaluation, public speaking, program evaluation, connecting to the curriculum frameworks, and concludes with students presenting a segment of instruction on a given topic for a specified age group. The class uses the *MA Public Fire and Life Safety Education Curriculum Planning Guidebook* extensively to learn to develop age-appropriate lesson plans using the key fire and life safety behaviors and connect with the Department of Education's curriculum frameworks.

In total, 52 firefighters completed the 5-day Public Fire and Life Safety Educator course or its one-time equivalent.

Other S.A.F.E. Events

Department of Fire Services Open House and Family Fire Safety Day Sunday, September 18, 2005

The second annual Department of Fire Services Open House and Family Fire Safety Day, held on Sunday, September 18, 2005, lived up to its advertising as being bigger and better with more displays of fire, activities for children and a crowd estimated at 1500 friends, family members and neighbors from communities both far and near.

Highlights of the event included: displays of fire apparatus and equipment, interactive activities for children, mini fire muster, wash a fire truck, foam blanket fun & D-con shower, search & rescue using a thermal imaging camera, experience a “day in the life of a firefighter”, tour the Fire Safety House and hunt for home hazards, meet Sparky® the fire dog, and view fire and life safety videos in the auditorium. We staged live-fire demonstrations such as building fires, car fires, and BBQ grill fires, a fire sprinkler activation and operation, the Jaws of Life, and the crowd pleasing fire investigation and accelerant detection canines. In addition there were exhibits and staff from the Hazardous Materials Response Unit, and members of the State Police Hazardous Devices Unit (aka the bomb squad) who discussed the dangers of fireworks.

11th Annual Massachusetts Fire and Safety Public Education Conference and 2005 Fire & Life Safety Educator of the Year Award September 28-29, 2005

The 11th annual Fire and Life Safety Public Education Conference was held on September 28-29, 2005 in Boxborough, MA. Over 200 firefighter-educators, classroom teachers, school administrators and safety officers, EMTs, nurses, elder service workers, health educators and other injury prevention professionals attended the two-day conference of workshop and general sessions. Carolyn Clark-Smith, a National Fire Academy instructor delivered the keynote address *Fire Safety Education: What Matters?* The conference offered core workshops for new fire and life safety educators, workshops on new ideas, program and teaching techniques to keep all life safety educator current, and some to continue to challenge and develop the skills of more experienced life safety educators. The 2005 Fire and Life Safety Educator of the Year Award was presented to Winchester Fire Captain Frederick “Rick” Tustin, a veteran fire and life safety educator, Massachusetts Firefighting Academy instructor, and president of the Massachusetts Association of Fire and Safety Educators (MA SAFE).

Shriners and S.A.F.E. Educators at Eastfield Mall

Saturday October 8, 2005

The Department of Fire Services’ Public Education Unit, western Massachusetts’ S.A.F.E. Educators and Shriners from the Melha Temple teamed up to host a fire safety and burn awareness day at the Eastfield Mall in Springfield, Massachusetts from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on October 21, 2006. The goal was to extend the celebration of national Fire Prevention Week, October 9-13, 2005.

In addition to tables with literature, safety information and red fire hats, there were a variety of displays, interactive exhibits and fire safety information for all ages including:

- ◆ Practice calling 9-1-1 and reporting and emergency
- ◆ Meet Sparky the Fire Dog
- ◆ Meet Patches and Pumper
- ◆ Let your children try on firefighter gear
- ◆ Shriners/Mason's Child Identification Program CHIPS.

The Springfield Fire Department also brought a fire engine for the children despite the pouring rain. Several area fire departments participated, some from as far away as Pittsfield and Shelburne Falls.

Fire Prevention Week 2005

National Fire Prevention Week, October 9-13, 2005. S.A.F.E. Educators across the state were involved in activities to promote fire and life safety to all segments of their communities. Many fire departments spend the month of October conducting their school programs visiting hundreds of classrooms; hosting class tours of the fire station; visiting senior centers; and holding fire station open houses open to the entire community.

Distribution of Resources

The S.A.F.E. Program was able to purchase copies of curricula for distribution to the local fire departments. Each fire department was provided with a free copy of *Remembering When: A Fall and Fire Prevention Program for Older Adults*, one set of the *Learn Not to Burn Resource Books* (lessons for Kindergarten – 3rd grade), a list of the licensed day care centers in their community and an equivalent number of *Learn Not to Burn PreSchool Programs* in both English and Spanish. Distribution started at the 2005 conference, continued at the in-service and continues today.

Local S.A.F.E. Programs:

The following examples of innovative local S.A.F.E. Programs clearly demonstrate how fire departments continue to be creative in their community public education efforts. These community events are in addition to the core classroom-based S.A.F.E. programs.

Ashfield	Ashfield Fall Festival, Open House
Attleboro	Health Fair, Spring Fair, Open House
Ayer	Senior Breakfast, Camp Pete, SAFE Softball Tournament, Open House
Bellingham	Senior Citizen Health Fair, Touch a Truck, Displays at Wal-Mart, Home Depot and Toys R Us
Berkley	Kids Picnic, Spirit Day, Open House
Berlin	Christmas in Berlin-pictures with Santa
Bourne	Open House, Bike Helmet Rodeo, Monument Beach Night Out, Upper Cape Family Network Baby Fair, Barnstable County Sheriffs Youth Camp
Concord	Picnic in the Park
Danvers	Kids Muster, Health Fairs, Open House

Douglas	Oktoberfest, Open House, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts
East Brookfield	School Bus Safety
Holden	Babysitter Program, Open House
Mansfield	Pasta Dinner, Downtown Sidewalk Fair
Maynard	Cold Water/Ice Safety, Safe Babysitter
Southborough	Fire Station Tours, Birthday Parties
Springfield	National Night Out, Health and Safety Fairs, Wal-Mart with Sparky
Stow	Stow Springfest, Pompo Picnic, Wash the Fire truck Day, Open House
Tyngsboro	Babysitter Programs, Story time at the Library, Cable T.V, Open House
Upton	Jr. Fire Academy, Citizens Academy
Waltham	Safety Day, Summer Camp Programs, Department Open House
Wayland	Halloween Party, Citizen Fire Academy, Open House
Yarmouth	Child Seat Safety Program